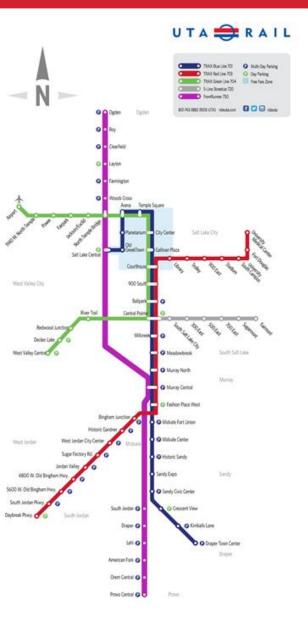
FrontRunner Development Strategy Building On the Assets We Have

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Background



- □ Vital transportation backbone for the Wasatch Front and alternative to the Interstate 15 freeway
- Additional investment contemplated in plans by the MPOs and previously studied
- ☐ Supports economic development and access to opportunity
- □UTA's service area is forecast to double in population by 2065



Service Objectives for FrontRunner







Frequent service



Increase capacity



Allow skipstop operations





Regional Objectives for FrontRunner Service



Provide additional options to connect jobs and employees



Increase ridership of FrontRunner and overall transit system



Support real estate and economic development



Reduce congestion on the I-15 corridor



Improve air quality



Enhance safety at grade crossings



Consider as backbone to future passenger rail



Vision

- □ Conceptual framework that guides the approach to preparing a strategy and work program for growing FrontRunner capacity
- ☐ High-level synopsis of the overall program, based on the business plan
- Useful for communicating what UTA and project partners are seeking to accomplish to grow the capacity and reliability of FrontRunner



FrontRunner Next Steps Professional Services Strategy



FrontRunner Next Steps UTA Service Development Office FrontRunner Business Unit Fall 2020 Winter 20/21 Spring 2021 Summer 2021 Fall 2021 Winter 21/22 Spring 2022 **Future On-Call Operations Planning & Simulation Assistance** 1. Existing Operating Conditions 2. Reduce Travel Time 3. Increase Peak Capacity **Business Plan Ops Modeling Business Unit Assistance** Project Implementation Plan & Program Management Travel Demand Modeling Conceptual Engineering Right of Way Project RFP(s) **Environmental, Design & Construction Projects** Environmental/Design Project(s) Construction Project(s) Strategic Business Plan **Community Engagement** Vision Service

Potential Phased Investment Approach 2020-2030

(Final approach will be determined by the FrontRunner Next Steps Professional Services Strategy)



FrontRunner Investment Option (To be further evaluated)

- Phase 1 Peak Limited-Stop Trains from Ogden to Salt Lake City
 - ➤ 15-Minute Service during peak periods
 - ➤ Improved reliability throughout system
 - ➤10-15 miles of double-tracking
 - ➤ Smart grade crossings to reduce delays
 - Faster travel times on limited-stop trains
 - □\$210 M to \$280 M
- Phase 2 Additional Peak Trains from Provo to Salt Lake City
 - ➤ 15-Minute Service during peak periods throughout sustem
 - ➤ Additional miles of double-tracking
 - More seating capacity
 - ➤ Reduction in delays
 - □\$120 M to \$160 M
- ☐ Phase 3 Warm Springs Facility Expansion and Relocation Mainline Track
 - ➤ Track improvements of mainline to improve speeds
 - Expanded capacity for maintenance facility
 - □\$50 M to 70 M



Investment Option (To be further evaluated)

- ☐ Potential Improvements That Could Be Added To Any Phase
 - □ Expand Capacity of Each Train Set and All Station Platforms to Five Cars
 - □\$80 M to \$110 M
 - ☐ Improved Track Switches
 - □\$50 M to \$70 M
 - □ Ogden Small Maintenance Facility
 - □\$20 M to \$30 M
 - □ Provo Small Maintenance Facility
 - □\$20 M to \$30 M
 - □ Station Parking Structure for Each Key Park and Ride
 - □\$80 M to \$110 M



Next Steps

- □UTA working on final steps to procure On-Call Operations Planning & Simulation Assistance consultant
 - ☐Three areas will be evaluated
 - ☐ Potential improvements to existing service
 - ☐ Options to reduce travel time
 - ☐ Options to increase peak capacity
- □UTA will go out to bid for FR Next Steps Program Management & Strategic Business Plan consultant early next year



Thank You

